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AGAINST BROWNE

A STRIKING CASE OF DUPLICITY.

The Grand Fountain Appointed Him to Revise the Ritual

Does the Work and Copyrights it for His Own Benefit.

More About That \$50,000.00.

Interest in the unwarranted and surprising action of Rev. William W. Browne in having voted to himself (\$50,000) fifty thousand dollars for the one dollar copyright has by no means abated and Rev. Browne finds it necessary to travel over the country, make speeches against Editor Mitchell and boycott the Planet.

Why he should thus exercise him-

it does not indicate duplicity on the cart of somehody, what does it show?

WHOSE BUSINESS IS IT? Rev Browne delivered an address at Net port News. Va. upon the subject, Whose Business Is It." We are su rised that such a question should ave necessitated an answer or that he should indicate that it is only the buspess of the True Reformers

as to weather or not the treasury of an incorperated institution should be depleted and the funds voted recklessly When a True Reformers cease to make appeal to the public for funds and member yield up its charter of incorporatica then the True Reformers and Rev. Browne may well ask, "Whose business is it?"

The secret signs grips pass-words

The secret signs, grips, pass-words etc. are enough to be with-held from the public. I them the public is not interested, by its financial matters. money drawr from the public. are o general intenest and questions will continue to be propounded and investi-gations inaugurated whenever there is a suspicion of Gestionable work

THE PUBLIC INTERESTED.

What did the Grand Fountain at incorporated institution, with its stock floating upon the market for sale, and inviting the public to pur-chase luw of wn. W. Browne, the in-dividual?

REVISED RITUAL

... OF THE

GRAND FOUNTAIN

United Order of True Reformers,

REVISED BY AUTHORITY OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GRAND FOUNTAIN.

Hoping that your journey may be attended with Love, leace and Union, and that the companions Truth and mercy may accompany you, giving you a successful and prosperous journey to the end, we remain yours in the bonds of Brotherhood in U.T. and C.,

WM. W. BROWNE, G. W. M.,)

Committee of Revision, WM. P. BURRELL, G W S,

SECOND REVISION UNDER SUPERVISION OF

WM. W. BROWNE, G. W. M.,

By W. P. BURRELL, G. W. Sec., and R. T HILL, Cast r.

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self is best known to himself and cannot get \$2 50 per ek for sick nembers of the ring, who engineered dues?

To make the matter plain it would be well to state that Rev. W. W. Browne, G. W. M., and Wm. P. Burell, G. W. S. were appointed Commitit?
ee of Revision and the ritual was

THE REVISION OF THE BITUAL.

the second revision was by Wm. P. rell, G. W. Secretary and R. T. ashier under the supervision of the Grand Fountain. if this ritual was revised by the

crity of the fifth annual session to Richmond should know all about what disposition is to be nade of it. Fountain conducted the supervision of Wm. W. Grand Woathy Master, copyright a year later said revised ritual.

> the revised ritual in Grand Fountain, Unine Reformers? was it not a serious es his absurd claim. or him to take the operty of the Grand proporated institution, for his private bene-

Browne the agent of n, and would not Washington, upon

right secured by and in violation of

COULD THE ORGANIZATION AFFORD IT Can such an organization give away fifty thousand dollars without feeling

kev. W W. Browne, cease your vised by them as agent of the Grand abuse of the Planer and alswer these questions. Have you not already re-ceived more than (28,00%) twentyigh' thousand dollars from the Grand Fountain?

It is far better that this scheme be exposed now than that we should al-W Browne, Grand worthy Mas- low a collapse to take place upon un-People who are sending their money

A SAD COMMENTARY.

God knows we regret that such grand organization should be scuttled by such questionable methods. Mem-bers who have the Order at heart Wm. W. Browne, the about a disayowal of the insan; action Master have secured a of the Grand Fountain. To fail to do it is to invite disaster.

An appeal should be made to the courts unless Rev Browne relinquish-What did you sell, Mr Browne, and whose property was it that yen sold?

A Grand Reception.

On last Wednesday night, the resi dence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones of North 13th St., was brillian by lighted and filled with a large number of on the official head of res' organization?

EGATES KNOW?

ed and lifted with a large fitting for the official head of young ladies and gentlemen. It was the occasion of a grand reception given in honor of Mr. Jones' birthday gate in the Grand At 10:30 o'clock, there were seen sevacquainted with the hat the fifty thous-voted for the one selves, and it was 12:10 when the chitchat and social merriment wer. hushwould such a paled, only to respond to the Grand know where Dodson's Hotel was, I could send them up tand the test of the the spacious dining-room. where a there for him. for any abuse, it is could merit intelli-wines, jellies, turkeys and chocolate. After supper they all resumed their

THOMPSON WAS HERE

His Name Found on the Register of Hotel Dodson.

WHAT HE THREATENED 10 DO

A Revolver on His Person

Witnesses Make Sworn Affidavits.

NO NEWS FROM JUDGE ORGAIN-A LETTER FROM JUDGE MANN.

Not Now Employed in the Case—The End Not Yet. It is now known to a moral certain-

ty that David James I hompson was in Richmond, Wednesday, December 18, 1895, and at the oyster-establishment of Mr. J. T. Montgomery made threats against solomon Marable and John Mitchell, Jr. A visit to this place which is located at 1500 E. Franklin St, disclosed the presence of the men who had heard Thompson make the THE LUNENBURG MAN'S CONDEMNATION

He engaged in a general discussion, declared that he was the man who was said to have killed Mrs Pollard and discussed the lying propensities of Marable and the alleged guilt of the women He was severe on the Rich-mond, Va, Daily Times and declared he could prove an alibi.

He appeared to have been on a spree the night before and talked hoarse as though suffering from a bad cold. He purchased three gallons of oysters at \$1 per gallon, paid for them and or-dered them sent to Hotel Dodson.

THAT DEADLY WEAPON.

From inside his coat pocket protruded what appeared to be the handle of a Whether he knew it or not. it is a fact that from the hotel at which he was stopping to the office of the Planer was a short distance. He had only to cross the Capitol Square, in which is located the State House, Governor's Mansion and Library Building, diagonally and just a walk of half a block would have brought him in sight of Editor Mitchell's office where a most courteous reception would have awaited him.

THE EDITOR'S INVESTIGATION.

On Wednesday, 8th inst, Editor Mitchell visited Hotel Dodson on 12th St , between Franklin and Main Sts., and turning the leaves of the register to Wednesday, December 18, 1895 saw written in a bold clear hand the name, "D. J. Thompson, Winneywood, Va" There also was shown that he had oc-cupied Room 59 and that the additional porterage charges were 25 cents SOME SWORN AFFIDAVITS.

In view of this positive evidence, the affidavits of the persons who heard him will possess special interest Here they are:

MR, STEWARD'S AFFIDAVIT.

On Wednesday morning, a white man entered the oyster house of Mr J. T. Montgomery where I work and bought three gallons of oysters and after he had bought them, he stood by after he had bought them, he stood by
the stove and commenced talking to
John Atkinson asking him did he aid
in putting up money for the Lunenburg prisoners. John said to him.
It's mighty bad to hang people about
such a thing as that.
He said that Marable told a lie
shout those three women not killing

about those three women not killing Mrs Pollard I asked him as they have got all of the rest of the prisoners in jail, what has become of the other man who was charged with helping to kill Mrs Pollard?
He said: "I am the man. I an

named David Thompson. I just want to go down to the bull-pen to see Solomon and this man called John Mitchell and what I will do for them will be

ISAIAH X STEWARD.

State of Virginia:

City of Richmond. to wit. This day Isaiah Steward appeared in

person before me, a justice of the peace in and for the city and state aforesaid, and made oath that the foregoing statements of his own knowledge are true. Given under my hand this 3rd day of January, in the year of 1896. ROBERT A. CHRISTIAN, J. P.

MR. ADKINSON'S AFFIDAVITS.

On Wednesday morning, the 18, a white man came in the oyster house of Mr. J T Montgomery, 1509 E. Franklin St and asked me what I charged for oysters. I told him \$1,00 per gallon.

He asked me where was the boss.

I told him he was out but I could wait Then he stood a while and looked at the oysters and told me to give him three gallons. I measured the oysters in the bucket, and he asked me did I

He walked around towards my bench and said. "You all are putting ary term. up money for those niggers you've got down here in prison." He asked me former enjoyments. It was the twee had I put up any and I told him yes, wised Ritual and ask pader it carefully. If several homes. boose where Marable is I'd fix him al- sponse to his request asking that he 1208.



COL. W. E. CUTSHAW,

City Engineer, Richmond, Virginia.

also condemned the Times.
In that time Jack Stewart called him off. I saw the handle of a revolver in the inside of his coat pocket,

J H x ADKINSON, mark State of Virginia:

City of Richmend.

This day J D Adkinson appeared in person before me, a justice of the peace in and for the city and state aforesaid, and made oath that the aforesaid, and made oath that the aforesaid, and made oath that the fogegoing statements of his own Given under my hand this 3rd day of January, in the year 1896. ROREST A. CHRISTIAN. J. P.

MR. SMITH'S AFFIDAVIT

I took the oysters to Hotel Dodson the waiters of the house knew any thing about any such man. I carrie them back into the kitchen and tol him if anybody called for them, h could let them have them and it not he could 'phone down to Montgom-ery's and I'd come and get them. There I returned to the work-place. nen said I ought to have been here and heard that man talk Then I go interested, not knowing whether the Negro Educational Journal of Athens, bysters were delivered right or not Ga, spent several days in this city. and returned to the hotel, but couldn't remember any part of the

nan's name at that time. I referred the clerk to the man wh was said to be connected with this Lu-nenburg murder. He found a Thomp-son on the registering book, but not

knowing whether or not this was the He told me I could leave the oysters and if no one called for them, he would 'phone, and they would be safe

WM SMITH.

State of Virginia:) to wit: City of Richmond.

This day. Wm Smith appeared in person before me, a justice of the peace in and for the city and state aforesaid, and made oath that the oregoing statements of his own

MR. HOPE'S STATEMENT.

On Wednesday morning a man came into the oyster-house at 1509 East Franklin St. and I heard a white man talking to John Adkinson and also to

I heard him say that he just wanted to get to that bull-pen to see Solomon Liquors and Cigars don't fail to cal Marable and what I will do for him on our worthy friend, Mr. A E Straus Marable and what I will do on the worthy friend, Mr. A E Straus, will be a p'enty, and I just want to see John Mitchell When he went to the door, he said, good-bye brothers.

He was a man, thin featured, spare build, and appeared to have been build. He talked hoarse drunk over night He talked hoarse as though he had a cold. He wore a ight over-coat, black slouch-hat, wide orim, and light sandy mustache

at home when this thing occurred He iel will take place at the First Bap, had driven Sol mon Marable off his tist (hurch, Clifton Forge, Va , Jan, place some time before, and had told him if he caught him there again, he Friends are invited. No c would blow his brains out witnesses to prove that he did not leave home that day Тико. Норк.

State of Virginia:) to wit: Richmond.

This day, Theo, Hope appeared in person before me, a justice of the Hill Washingto peace in and for the city and state The familiar f person before me, a justice of the peace in and for the city and state aforesaid, and made oath that the foregoing statements of his own forward in our work and recalled many boys can be found in the jail The colknowlege are true. Given under my hand this third day of January, in the year of 1896
ROBERT A. CHRISTIAN,

MARY ABERNATHY'S CONDITION Mary Abernathy is improving stead-

This, it seems, necessitates the postponement of the case until the Febru-JUDGE MANN'S LETTER

right." He called Mitchell's name and join with him in a letter to Judge Orgain asking for a postponement of the cess until the February term of court, owing to the condition of Mary Abernathy In this letter Judge Mann states that he is no longer connected with the case, being employed only to conduct it before the Supreme Court of Appeals.

Th Lunenburg County Court convenes January 13th, and the next move in this celebrated case will be

PERSONALS & BRIEFS.

-Mrs Judith Williams and sor returned to Hampton the 7th inst. Mrs. James Barrett of Gooch land, Va , sends no address.

-Mr Thomas H. Knight, the traus this week. -J. P. Wingfie'd of Petersburg,

Va was in the city week on a visit and -Editor T. G. Snelson of the "Negro Educational Journal" called on us He was much pleased with this city. -Rev T. G. Snelson, editor of the

-Deacons and Members of Mt. Gilead Church sent their pastor, Rev. R. Tribbey \$18 00 in money, chickens, hams and fruits Saturday as Christ-

-A Mr. Radford from some sec-tion "behind the sun" has introduced a bill in the House of Delegates pro viding seperate cars for white and col

returned to the work-place and cound all the hands in an uproar, talk-lored men in the state called on us. le has been visiting Hampton, Va. He was looking the picture of health.

-Mrs. J. H. Terrell and her daughter, Mattie spent the holidays

—A most pointed letter has been received from Mr J. Monroe 'arter of Martinsville, Va., who sends \$1.75 foregoing statements, and the state of January, in the year of 1896 ROBERT A. CHRISTIAN.

ROBERT A. CHRISTIAN. Mrs Mary Perkins and niece, Miss Gussie Harris formerly of this city but now of New York are paying

a short visit in this city visiting friends She is the guest of Mr. John S. Coley, 905½ N. 6th St. They will leave here for Washington, to-day. -When in need of Fine Wines Prices.

Brown-Daniel- The marriage of He said, he could prove that he was Mr. E W Brown to Miss Mattie Dan-Friends are invited. No cards.

Portrait of Mrs. Carrie Hill Washington-

Miss Helen Jackson, a christian worker and philanthropist, presented the Ladies Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., a life-size purtrait of their lamented friend and co-worker, Mrs Carrie

noble deeds and beautiful christian virtues of this dear one. The Auxiliary returns beartfelt hanks to Wiss Jackson for this token

of her appreciation and recognition of their late Secretary and earnestly prays that God may prolong her days to do more for suffering humanity. ily. Dr Gordon, the jail physician has written Judge Orgain that she cannot be safely removed under a desk. The picture will grace the walls of MRS M. E. BURRELL,

MISS M. L CHILES,

" J A BRAXTON

Hon. George D. Wise received a letter from Judge W H. Mann in re-Richmond Steam Laundry Recollect our motto, "Fine work."

" R. B BROOKS, Committee.

MR. BANKS AGAIN.

More About the Hampton Meeting.

DID NOT VOTE TO SUSTAIN THE GRAND FOUNTAIN.

EDITOR OF THE PLANET: Please give me space in your pape to correct an erroneous statement concerning me which appeared in the Reformer of the 21st inst The statement referred to occurs in

Browne in Hampton on the evening of Dec. 4th, and reads, "Mr. F. D. Banks voted to sustain the action of the Grand Fountain in voting Mr. Brown

The Reformer's report is entirely mistaken. No motion to sustain was submitted at that meeting. The only performance that bore re-semblance to a motion and vote, came of Mr. Browne's asking, rear the close of his address for all True Reformers of his address for all True Reformers to rise. In response I rose with all in that meeting who professed to be True Reformers. He seated the Reformers and then called for 'Mitchellites' to stand. At the call for 'Mitchellites I very properly kept my seat, not having elected to be known by any

WHAT HE SHOULD HAVE ASKED.

If Mr. Browne had made a request for those to rise who agree with Mr. Mitchell, that he dishonorably obtain-ed an appropriation of \$50,000.00 from the order, I should have come to my the order, I should have come to my feet with a bound as would also have many other True Reformers present.

No, I have not changed my position as to how I regard Mr. Browne's action in having had voted to himself a large sum of money to which he was in no way entitled, and which was seriously needed by the order for its growth and extension.

AN ENGRMOUS MORAL WEONG.

That \$50,000.00 purchase was, in in opinion, an enormous moral wrong as it relates to Mr. Browne, and a ruinous transaction as it relates to the order By it Mr. Browne exchanged dian of Wilmington, N C., called on a good name for that which perisheth and the order forfeited the faith of thousands

The Bon Bon Girls Social.

On last Friday night the 3rd inst. the Bon Bon Girls gave a very pleasant social at the residence of Mr and Mrs. C A. Scott, 816 N. 6th St. Different parlor games were indulged in and those who tripped the light fantastic toe found ample space. Music was furnished by the Eureka club. About a two-handed game very nicely with fellows out the city as well as those fellows out the city as well as those fellows. to the spacious dining room where a table ladened with all delicacies of the season awaited them, of which all heartily partook. After supper games were again engaged in until the distant crow of some weary chanticleer told the merry pleasure makers that it was near dawn, and they left for their everal homes after having spent an evening of real pleasure and delight.

The following are those that were vessrs. William Tharps, J. Wilmer Furner, Alfred Booker, Jno. R Brooks La Fayette Harris, Beverly Turner, T. Neverson Lewis, Jacob Johnson, Eddie Harper, Randolph Marks, Felix Miller, Charles Dodson, Frank Rowe Willie Trent, Stewart Morris, Gally

Willie Trent, Stewart Morris, Gally White, Benj. Anderson, Royal Brooks, James Nelson, Joseph Wilson and Clarence M. Bowler.

The following are the young ladies: Misses Emily A. Scott, Pres.; Mercia Mitchell, Vice-Pres.; Annie Vaughn, Sect.; Clara E. Johnson, Treas.; Fancia Lackson, Lydia, Taylor, Coppie. nie Jackson, Lydia Taylor, Connie Valentine, Fannie Goodman, Bertania Nelson, Amy Acres and Victori Jones.

Y. M C. A -AN APPEAL. \$2200 Must Be Raised for the Work of the Young Men's Christian Associa-

Is there one would refuse to give omething towards this amount when you know what help the work has brought to our city. The work ac-complished in our rooms, in the slums upon the corners of our streets, in the alleys and in the jails, tells us that we should see that we have a healthy Young Men's Christian Association. The large number of boys who attend our rooms say if not for the Association they would have spent their moments in a manner which would have caused them to look downward.

My friends the bar-rooms and all other places will catch your boys unless some place is provided where your boys might come every day instead of congregating upon the corners of the streets which are filled with a bad atmosphere. Shall we continue to see our boys crowd the city jail and not make an effort to ored population is increasing everyday Will the prisons and gailows make our boys and young men better? No! They only produce callousness and all feeling is lost. Fail to have rain and the earth will lose i's strength. seed will not take root. If you fail to keep the moral training and the religion of Jesus Christ into the hearts of our boys and young men, they will be come as stone

My friends if you have such cases as these coming to you every day. A mother coming to us in tears, asking that we might help her with her bad boy, another has her heart almobroken because her son has been led astray by bad company; another writes that her son frequents the bar-roems which rob him of all his home

training. You would be forced too to speak a word for the many mothers who are bowed down in sorrow because of the many evils in our city which are robbing their sons. Will it not pay us all to remove the debt which hangs over the Association, and then give it our general support each year. Every race is looking out for the young. What are we doing? We ought to have a public place in our city for the colored boys and young men up to which they might look and be saved instead of crowding our prisons. Whe will help us raise these \$2200 which are needed at once. Any amt. Prof. G. R. Hovey will explain the Sunday School Lesson to-day, 5 P. M. Rev. M. E. Gerst will address the boys Sunday, 4 P. M.

Rev. W. H., Stokes will conduct the men's meeting Sunday at 5:30 P. M.

Our Night School is open to all Monday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. 50 cents per month.

Welcome Callers.

For nearly twenty years the faithful members of Rev. Dr. Binga's church have called every Christmas and presented to him some substantial proof of the esteem in which he is held by them. The following members made their annual call a few days ago and left behind a lasting reminder of their devotion to their pastor.

Sisters Charlotte Blackwell, Elvira Bundy, Elizabeth Blackwell, Bettie Hughes, Rosa E. Archer, Julia E. Cousins. M. J. Stringfellow, Mollie Robinson, Mary R. Hickman, Lucy Armstead, Dollie Winfree, Laura G. King, Ophelia Cogbill, Georgeanna King, Ophelia Cogbill, Georgeanna Harris Ada M. Johnson, Miss Mary Rose and brethren G. W. Archer, Jack Bland, S. W Johnson, Robert Clark, C. H. Munford and W. H. Bailey.

JACKSON WARD BREVITIES Last Sunday was exceedingly cold, and fire was the principal object The churches were very well attend-ed by those warm-hearted christians

whose only ambition was to meet God and His Christ
The Sunday School Concert of the Moore St. Baptist Church was well at-tended, and an interesting program was rendered. Rev R. Beecher Taywhich was excellent and to the occ

It was thought on last Sunday night regions, and the boys were hunting the best fire. Lamps in heaters didn't answer. Misses Minnie A. Funn and Alice

Adams who have been spending their holidays in Washington and other pla-ces returned to the city on last Sunday night, expressing themselves as having had an enjoyable time.

It is said that this is the year for old maids and bachelors to marry Let's

within. As a result they received fine Christmas presents from afar and

We notice that some of our young ladies paid their fellows calls on last Sunday evening. A good start. We have often declared that love has great depth, and it was again dem-onstrated the other night when a fellow took off his overcoat and threw it around his girl Said he, "My over-

coat hides a multitude of—
There has been quite a number of entertainments during the past week.
We are told that the season has just commenced. Go shead. The death-roll in this section was

very small during the holidays, while sickness was below the average. It is said that two of our school teachers are anticipating marriage in short. ome say it is time. Can you guess

Young man, we know it was cold on last Sunday night, but we certainly don't think you ought to have sat our partner out.
We observed that some of the girls are regarding their Leap Year duty and carried their fellows to a reception the other night and escorted them back home. Who will be the

them back home.

The Reubinstein's First Public Entertain-

ment. An enjoyable time was spent at the 2nd St., January 2, 1896, the occasion being the first public entertainment of the Reubinstein Musicale and Literary Circle.

Piano duet, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Burwell; Solo, Mrs. Smith; Reading, Subject, That Strange Nigger, Mr. D. H. Wilkinson; Solo, Mrs. Phebe Slaughter; Piano Duet, Mr. D. H. Wilkinson and Miss Emma Jones; Solo, Mr C. C. Williams, Panding, Subject, 2006. Williams; Reading, Subject, Zachariah Popp's Courtship and marriage, Miss Mary Robinson; Solo, Mrs. Smith; Piano Solo, Miss Emma E. Jones; Solo, Mr. Robert White; Panding Subject For People Will Jones; Solo, Mr. Robert white; Reading, Subject, For People Will Talk, Miss Bettie Dodson; Vocal Duet, Mrs. Slaughter and Mrs. Burwell; Piano Solo, Mr. H. B. Burwell; Solo, Mr. C. C. Williams; Solo, Mrs. Slaugh-

After the above program was over we were favored with several solos from Miss S Alice Kemp and Mrs S. H. Dismond. Excellent addresses were made by Prof. D. W. Davis and Dr. 8. H. Dismond.

Refreshments were served and at a

very late hour all left well pleased with the evenings entertainment.
Officers of the circle:—Miss Anna J Harris, president; Mrs H B. Burwell, ice-president; Miss Mary Robinson treasurer; Miss Emma Jones Secre-

FIFTY DOLLARS FOR XMAS. Save this by purchasing your Piano from Rich-mond Music Company, 213 E. Broad

OUR CITY ENGINEER

AN BONORED OFFICIAL.

The Plans for the Colored Armory.

A Tireless Official-A Deserved Tribute.

Col. W. E. Cutshaw, our present City Engineer is one of the most re-markable characters in the city govmarkable characters in the city government to-day. His powers as an organizer and his abilities as a city official are conceded. Candid to the point of bluntness, conscientious to the point of stubbornness, a friend to his friends and an enemy relentless to those who would wrongfully tamper with the people's interests, he stands forth as the power behind the throne, and a tower of strength in any contest.

test.

His democracy is unquestioned and yet he is just. Color forms no bar to courteous treatment at his hands. He was a warm supporter of the proposition to erect the colored armory and when the amount appropriated was insufficient to ensure the erection of a handsome and substantial structure, it was he who put on foot the plans for an appropriation of \$2500 more, recommended it and successfully used his powerful influence to secure its passage, the Mayor's veto notwithstanding.

Col. Cutshaw is a born leader of men. His countenance betcken courage, and his energy causes him to

men. His countenance betcken courage, and his energy causes him to know no such word as fail.

He is honored and respected by all classes and even those who disagree with him accord him praise.

The cut which we present was made from a photograph made by Mr J. C. Farley, our colored photographer.

MR OLIVER ASSAULTED He is Painfully Injured by White Boys-He Makes a Positive Statement-An Officer Sent-He Appeals to the

Mayor. There have been numerous plaints on the part of respectable and well-known colored citizens due to the outrageous behaviour of white boys in the neighborhood of 4th St., between Jackson and Duval Sis. Not long since Mr Henry Cook was assaulted and severely injured on

Governor St

On January 1, '96, Mr. John Oliver was removing some lumber from a lot at 711 N. 4th St, when he was viciously attacked It seems that he was authorized by Mrs P. Watson Fuqua to remove the portions of the old house which were

tumbling down and had employed a

man to assist when a number of white

boys came to where he was working, Connie Norrell began to assault him and when asked to leave declined to Norrell came at him again and Mr. Oliver shoved him back with the pick-axe, but claims he did not strike him. axe, but claims he did not strike him.

The others including Pig Proffitt,
Winzey Wood joined with Connie
Norrell in striking him. He was severely struck on his legs, shoulders
and back. They continued to stone
him until he reached midway the

The sergeant at the 2nd Police-sta-tion agreed to send an officer and told Mr. Oliver to return to his work. In the Police Court, Mr. Overby (white) testified that Mr. Oliver

The Justice thereupon dismissed Mr. Oliver has filed a complaint with Mayor Richard M. Taylor.

struck the boy, Norrell, although Mr. Oliver and the man employed de-nied that this was the case.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION. One to be Held for Post Office Clerks and Uarriers. The semi- annual examination for

the grades of clerk and carrier in the Richmond post-office will be held in custom-house on Tuesday, February esidence of Mr H. B. Burwell, 706 N. and St., January 2, 1896, the occasion eing the first public entertainment of the Reubinstein Musicale and Litrary Circle

The following programme was renposition of letter-carrier if under 21 or over 40 years of age; and no person shall be examined for any other posishall be examined for any other posi-tion in the classified postal service if under 18 years. The Civil Service Commission takes this opportunity of

stating that the examinations are open

to all reputable citizens who may desire to enter the postal service, with-out regard to their political affiliations. All such citizens are invited to apply. They will be examined, graded, and certified with entire impartiality, and wholly without regard to their political views, or to any consideration, except their efficiency, as shown by the grades they obtain in the examination. For application blanks, full instructions, and information relative to the duties and salaries of the different positions, persons can apply at the post-office to the secretary of the

Endorsed Rev. Vass' Appointment.

board.

At the Ministers Conference on Monday, the 6th inst., resolutions were adopted expressive of its pleasure at learning of the appointment of Rev. S. N. Vass, A. M. by the American Home Mission Society as its District Secretary over the Southern states. It strongly endorsed the ap-pointment and forwarded the resolutions concerning its approval to the